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REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending, with claims 27 – 30 withdrawn. Claims 1-26 are currently rejected. Claims 5, 10 and 11 are presently amended. Claims 1-4 and 13-30 are canceled. Claims 31-42 are added. Claims 5-12 and 31-42 remain pending. In view of the amendments above and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

Claims 1-26 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) over Mazura et al. (5,441,337) While Applicant disagrees with the rejection under 35 USC 102(b) as argued at length in the response filed 18 January 2006 pointing out that many of the recited elements of Applicant's claims are not contained in Mazura, Applicant has canceled without prejudice claims 1-4 and 13-30 in order to progress prosecution of this application.

Claim 5 is amended to more clearly recite "wherein the portion of the bottom component is juxtaposed with one or more manipulated regions of the bottom component such that the manipulated regions urge the first portion away from the plane...." Mazura has no such portions or regions in the bottom of the chassis. Claim 5 is therefore allowable over Mazura.

Claims 6-12 and 31-42 depend on allowable base claim 5 and are therefore allowable for this reason and by virtue of their further distinctive recitations. For example, Mazura does not have "shallow bends" in the bottom component as recited in claim 31.

Claim 33 recites "...wherein the manipulated regions form a gradual arch...". Mazura has no such arch.

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Claim 34 recites "...wherein the manipulated regions result in a portion that is a v-shaped portion." Mazura has no such v-shaped portion.

Conclusion

The Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner wishes to resolve any other issues by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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